DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Indira Gandhi National Open University is expected to fulfil the objectives set out in its Act through a diversity of means of distance education and continuing education. The programmes which are offered by the University at present are:

(i) Post Graduate Diploma in Distance Education;

(ii) Diploma in Management (Modules I & II);

(iii) Diploma in Creative Writing in English;

(iv) Certificate in Rural Development;

(v) Certificate in Food and Nutrition;

(vi) B.A., and

(vii) B-Com.

(c) The new courses and programmes which are likely to be introduced include:

(i) Diploma in Management (Modules III & IV)

(ii) Diploma courses in Rural Development; Food and Nutrition Child Care and Creative Writing in Hindi;

(iii) Post Graduate Diploma in Higher Education;

(iv) B.Sc.

(v) Bachelor of Informatics;

(vi) Bachelor of Library and Information Science;

(vii) Certificate in Computer Application for Teachers;

(viii) Certificate Course in Computer Applications for Office Management.

(d) Admission to these programmes are open to candidates all over the country. The University has not stipulated rigid entry qualifications for admission to its courses. Candidates enrolled in its programmes can complete them at their own pace. These provisions are likely to benefit the weaker sections.

Non-implementation of Government orders for posting of the spouses at the same Station in Kendriya Vidyalayas

1891. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued orders that both the spouses, who are Central Government employees, should be kept/posted at the same station;

(b) if so, what is the number of cases in the Kendriya Vidyalayas where these orders have not been adhered to; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (c) Guidelines have been issued by the DP&T on 3.4.1986 regarding posting of the Spouses at the same station in respect of employees of Central Government and Central Public Sector Undertakings subject to the fulfilment of administrative requirements. While considering requests for transfers within the broad framework of the guidelines, the primary and basic considerations of administrative exigencies and feasibility are kept in view.

Detals of cases where husband and wife have not been transferred/posted to the same station are not maintained in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.